

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Pawel W. Sleboda, et al.

Serial No.: 10/049,993

Filed: April 2, 2002

For: VEHICULAR AUDIO SYSTEM INCLUDING A  
HEADLINER SPEAKER, ELECTROMAGNETIC  
TRANSDUCER ASSEMBLY FOR USE THEREIN AND  
COMPUTER SYSTEM PROGRAMMED WITH A GRAPHIC  
SOFTWARE CONTROL FOR CHANGING THE AUDIO  
SYSTEM'S SIGNAL LEVEL AND DELAY

Group Art Unit: 2644

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Sir:

An Amendment (attached as Exhibit A) was filed February 10, 2003 “to perfect applicants’ claim of priority/benefit to an earlier U.S. application.” Exhibit A, p. 2. The Amendment stated that

This application is the U.S. national phase of PCT application number PCT/US00/23476, filed August 25, 2000, which further claims priority to U.S. patent application serial number 09/382,581, filed August 25, 1999.

Exhibit A, p. 2, (emphasis added).

The phrase “further claims priority” does not appear to be a proper claim of priority.

A continuing application (Application No. 11/251,980) of the instant application was filed on October 17, 2005. A review of the family history of the continuing application revealed the above apparent improper priority claim.

#### ACTIONS REQUESTED

Please insert on Page 1 of the specification, after the title, the following new paragraph:

This application is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US00/23476, filed August 25, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/382,581, filed August 25, 1999.

and please remove from Page 1 of the specification, after the title, the following paragraph:

This application is the U.S. national phase of PCT application number PCT/US00/23476, filed August 25, 2000, which further claims priority to U.S. patent application serial number 09/382,581, filed August 25, 1999.

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If there are any questions or concerns, please call the undersigned to discuss.

Respectfully submitted,  
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EXHIBIT A

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In regard application of:

PAWEL W. SLEBODA, et al.

Serial No.: 10/049,993

Filed: February 18, 2002

Title: VEHICULAR AUDIO SYSTEM INCLUDING A  
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TRANSDUCER ASSEMBLY FOR USE THEREIN  
AND COMPUTER SYSTEM PROGRAMMED  
WITH A GRAPHIC SOFTWARE CONTROL FOR  
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Gentlemen:

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

In The Specification

Insert on page 1, after the title, the following new paragraph:

EXHIBIT A

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is the U.S. national phase of PCT application number PCT/US00/23476, filed August 25, 2000, which further claims priority to U.S. patent application serial number 09/382,581, filed August 25, 1999.

REMARKS

This amendment is being made to perfect applicants' claim of priority/benefit to an earlier U.S. application. No fee is due since the international filing date of the PCT application was prior to November 29, 2000.

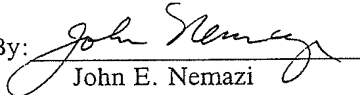
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